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PATENT

Docket No.: 041-1790E

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
Takayuki SUGAHARA : : RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
Serial No. 09/469,499 : :  
filed: 22 December 1999 : : Prior Group Art Unit: 2613  
For: REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING USER  
MODIFIABLE PROTECTION OF DATA REPRODUCTION (as amended)

**AMENDMENT SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 14, 2003, applicant has filed herewith a Request for Continued Examination, along with the appropriate Fee. Upon granting the Request, please amend the application as follows.